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Office Action Summary

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 09 February 2009.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-25 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-25 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 31 July 2003 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
- Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
- Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-8508)
- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
- 6) ☐ Other: _____
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DETAILED ACTION

Continued Examination Under 37 CFR 1.114

1. A request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(c), was filed in this application after final rejection. Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(c) has been timely paid, the finality of the previous Office action has been withdrawn pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant's submission filed on December 15, 2008 has been entered.

Response to Amendment

2. Applicant's amendment, filed December 15, 2008, has been entered and carefully considered. Claims 1-25 are currently pending.

3. The declaration under 37 CFR 1.132 filed February 9, 2009 is insufficient to overcome the rejection of claims 1-25 based upon lack of enablement under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, as set forth in the last Office action because the submitted declaration does not provide any evidence that the claim limitation "obtaining pre-defined modulated transmission protocol bits stored in a memory" is enabled. Per MPEP 2164.05: "Applicant may submit factual affidavits under 37 CFR 1.132 or cite references to show what one skilled in the art knew at the time of filing the application. A declaration or affidavit is, itself, evidence that must be considered. The weight to give a declaration or affidavit will depend upon the amount of factual evidence the declaration or affidavit contains to support the conclusion of enablement. In re Buchner, 929 F.2d 660, 661, 18 USPQ2d 1331, 1332 (Fed. Cir. 1991) ("expert's opinion on the ultimate legal conclusion must be supported by something more than a conclusory statement"); cf. In re Alton,

76 F.3d 1168, 1174, 37 USPQ2d 1578, 1583 (Fed. Cir. 1996) (declarations relating to the written description requirement should have been considered).” Declarant states an opinion that the invention could be performed as claimed by “actually modulating the limited number of possible protocol transmission bit sequences and then storing the modulated bits for further use” and that “‘pre-defined modulated transmission protocol bits’ can be determined offline by performing actual modulation on every protocol transmission bit sequence and storing each resulting modulated protocol transmission bit sequence in memory.” Declarant’s statement does not provide factual evidence that the cited steps could be performed (e.g., using equipment known to one skilled in the art) and therefore constitutes a conclusory statement. Specifically, no factual evidence is provided to support a conclusion that one skilled in the art could digitally modulate a payload and that such modulated payload could be stored in memory. Modulation is known in the art to be performed on a signal in order to be transmitted across a network (e.g., modulation on to a carrier by assigning an amplitude, frequency, or phase to the output signal). At a receiver, the signal is demodulated in order to allow processing components to interpret the transmitted data therein. Modulation is not performed on a signal for purposes of storage on a medium. For the reasons outlined above, rejection of Claims 1-25 under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, is maintained.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

4. The following is a quotation of the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall contain a written description of the invention, and of the manner and process of making and using it, in such full, clear, concise, and exact terms as to enable any person skilled in the art to which it pertains, or with which it is most nearly connected, to make and use the same and shall set forth the best mode contemplated by the inventor of carrying out his invention.

5. **Claims 1-25** rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the enablement requirement. The claims contains subject matter which was not described in the specification in such a way as to enable one skilled in the art to which it pertains, or with which it is most nearly connected, to make and/or use the invention. Independent Claims 1 and 17 respectively cite "obtaining pre-defined modulated transmission protocol bits stored in a memory" and "a memory storing pre-defined modulated transmission protocol bits." The claim language requires that the pre-defined transmission protocol bits are already modulated as they are stored in the memory. Applicant's specification, at page 8, line 11, describes the pre-defined modulated transmission bits are "digitally modulated." However, Applicant's specification does not describe how said transmission protocol bits are digitally modulated prior to being stored in said memory. Known examples of digitally modulated signals (e.g., using amplitude-shift keying, frequency shift keying, and phase shift keying) produce *analog* results (emphasis added) in order for the signal to be transmitted over a medium. Applicant's specification does not describe how such a resultant analog signal can be stored. The step of modulation requires "varying some characteristic of the electrical carrier wave as the information *to be transmitted* on that carrier wave varies" (emphasis added). There is no disclosed step of modulating the pre-defined transmission protocol bits, nor a disclosed feature that would show how a modulated signal could be stored. Therefore, Applicant's disclosure would not enable one skilled in the art to make and use that defined by the claims of the instant application. Claims 2-16 and 18-25 depend on the independent claims cited above and fail to resolve the deficiencies therein.

Response to Arguments

6. Applicant's arguments filed February 9, 2009 regarding rejection of Claims 1-25 under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, have been fully considered but they are not persuasive. Applicant states that the filed declaration under 37 CFR 1.132 overcomes the outstanding rejection. Examiner respectfully disagrees for the reasons described above. Therefore, rejection of Claims 1-25 under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, is maintained.

Conclusion

The claims of an application for which a request for continued examination (RCE) has been filed may be finally rejected in the action immediately subsequent to the filing of the RCE (with a submission and fee under 37 CFR 1.114) where all the claims in the application after the entry of the submission under 37 CFR 1.114 (A) are drawn to the same invention claimed in the application prior to the entry of the submission under 37 CFR 1.114, and (B) would have been properly finally rejected on the grounds and art of record in the next Office action if they had been entered in the application prior to the filing of the RCE under 37 CFR 1.114. Accordingly, **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL** even though it is a first action in this case. See MPEP § 706.07(b). Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no, however, event will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of this final action.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Andrew Chriss whose telephone number is (571)272-1774. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday, 7:30 AM - 5:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Hassan Kizou can be reached on 571-272-3088. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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